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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

July 17, 2014

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Attn: Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 383 Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

At your meeting of July 1, 2014, you approved this City's request for consolidation of our Municipal Election with the County's Statewide General Election to be held on November 4, 2014.

Enclosed for your consideration is a certified copy of one resolution adding one ballot measure to the Santa Monica General Municipal Election and a request to consolidate Santa Monica's municipal election with the County's Statewide General Election. Resolution Number 10823 was adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Monica at their regular meeting of July 8, 2014.

Resolution No. 10823 (CCS) is entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS A MEASURE PROPOSING TO SET THE REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX RATE AT NINE DOLLARS PER THOUSAND DOLLARS OF SALE VALUE FOR ALL SALES OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS OR GREATER, ALONG WITH AN ADVISORY, COMPANION MEASURE ASKING WHETHER THE INCREASED REVENUES SHOULD BE SPENT ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014, AND AUTHORIZING CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO FILE WRITTEN ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THE MEASURE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF THE MEASURE"

The Ballot language is as follows:

PROPOSITION " ": Shall an ordinance be adopted that amends the real estate transfer tax so that for commercial and non-commercial real estate sold for one million dollars or more, the tax rate would be \$9 for each thousand dollars of sales price?

PROPOSITION " ": ADVISORY VOTE ONLY: If the proposed transfer tax on commercial and non-commercial real estate sales is approved by voters, should the revenue be used to preserve, repair, renovate and construct affordable housing for low-income people who work or live in Santa Monica, including seniors, veterans, working families and persons with disabilities?

Board of Supervisors Page Two July 17, 2014

It is respectfully requested that this measure be considered at your next meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, pursuant to California Election Code Sections 10400, 10401, and 10403 and be added to the City's Municipal Election consolidation.

Sincerely,

Sarah P. Gorman City Clerk, CMC

SPG/md

Enclosures

cc: Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder, Elections Division



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State of California County of Los Angeles City of Santa Monica

I, Maria Dacanay, Deputy Clerk to the City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution Number 10823 (CCS), which is on file in The City Clerk's Department, and that I have carefully compared the same with the original(s).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Santa Monica, this 17th day of July, 2014.

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Administrative Analyst, City Clerk's Office

City of Santa Monica

Attachment B

RESOLUTION NUMBER	10823 ((CCS)

(City Council Series)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS A MEASURE PROPOSING TO SET THE REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX RATE AT NINE DOLLARS PER THOUSAND DOLLARS

OF SALE VALUE FOR ALL SALES OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS OR GREATER, ALONG WITH AN ADVISORY, COMPANION MEASURE ASKING WHETHER THE INCREASED REVENUES SHOULD BE SPENT ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AT THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014,

AND AUTHORIZING CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO FILE WRITTEN ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THE MEASURE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF THE MEASURE

WHEREAS, all redevelopment agencies in California, including the Santa Monica Redevelopment Agency, were dissolved on February 1, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Redevelopment Agency generated nearly \$40 million per year that was used for Santa Monica community priorities such as seismic safety improvements to public buildings, affordable housing, and capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, the dissolution of the Santa Monica Redevelopment Agency severely diminished the funds available to address Santa Monica community priorities; and

WHEREAS, many residents live in the City of Santa Monica because the City invests in community priorities, offering extensive services and programs that substantially enhance quality of life; and

WHEREAS, residents depend upon the City to continue to protect their quality of life and effectuate community priorities, but with the loss of redevelopment funds, the City must seek other resources; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the real property transfer tax would partially fill the revenue gap left by the loss of redevelopment funds; and

WHEREAS, all City revenues are subject to annual independent audits with public review of the City Budget being widely available, including at City Hall, on-line and at the public library; and

WHEREAS, median sales values for commercial and residential properties have fully recovered from the recession that began in 2007; and

WHEREAS, the existing City of Santa Monica real property transfer tax is set at only three dollars per thousand dollars of sales price for all sales of commercial and residential properties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Monica proposes to set the City of Santa Monica real property transfer tax for all sales of commercial and residential properties sold for one million dollars or more at nine dollars per thousand dollars of sales price; and

WHEREAS, redevelopment funds provided over \$15 million annually to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in Santa Monica; and

WHEREAS, the dissolution of the Santa Monica Redevelopment Agency has severely diminished funding available for affordable housing, with approximately \$300,000 expected to be available in each of the coming years; and

WHEREAS, affordable housing addresses a great need in Santa Monica, where the 2013 median market rent for a two-bedroom apartment was nearly three times greater than what a low-income family can afford; and

WHEREAS, affordable housing continues to be critical to addressing the needs of Santa Monica residents, where one in five households made less than \$25,000 in 2012 and over 50 percent of households made less than \$75,000 in 2012; and

WHEREAS, a lack of affordable housing in high-cost areas such as Santa Monica causes many households to be overburdened by housing costs, reducing available funds for other necessities that are essential for health and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, an increase in the real property transfer tax would increase revenues for the City of Santa Monica; and

WHEREAS, the City Council could allocate those increased funds toward the production and preservation of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, increased funding for the production and preservation of affordable housing would allow the City of Santa Monica to continue if efforts to address the housing needs of low-income seniors, veterans, working families, and people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2014, the City Council adopted resolutions calling for and giving notice of a General Municipal Election on November 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the proposal would set the real property transfer tax in accordance with state law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Santa Monica proposes to place the following proposition amending Chapter 6.96.020 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code, along with a companion advisory measure, on the ballot at the General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Santa Monica does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. A General Municipal Election has been called for on November 4, 2014 for the purpose, among other things, of electing City Council members and submitting measures and ballot propositions to the voters.

SECTION 2. At the General Municipal Election called for November 4, 2014, the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Santa Monica:

PROPOSITION " ": Shall an ordinance be adopted that amends the real estate transfer Yes tax so that for commercial and non-commercial real estate sold for one million dollars or more, the tax rate would be \$9 for each thousand dollars of sales price?

SECTION 3. At the General Municipal Election called for November 4, 2014, the following advisory question shall also be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Santa Monica:

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall transmit to the City Attorney, in accordance with Elections Code Section 9280, copies of both measures. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of them, which analysis shall not exceed 500 words in length each. The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of primary arguments. In accordance with Santa Monica Municipal Code section 11.04.190 and California Elections Code Section 9295, not less than 10 calendar days before the City Clerk submits the official election materials for printing, the City Clerk shall make a copy of all applicable elections materials available for public examination in the City Clerk's Office.

SECTION 5. The City Council authorizes its members, as follows, to file written arguments for and against the measures:

FOR:	
AGAINST:	

All written arguments filed by any person in favor of or against any measure, including any rebuttal arguments, shall be accompanied by the names and signatures of the persons submitting the arguments as required by applicable law, and any names, signatures and arguments may be filed until the time and date fixed by the City Clerk in accordance with applicable law, after which no change may be submitted to the City Clerk unless permitted by law.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall cause the text of the measures, together with the City Attorney's impartial analysis, and any arguments for or against the measures, as well as any rebuttal, to be mailed to all qualified voters with the sample ballot. In addition to other notices and publications required by law, the City Clerk, not less than forty (40) days and not more than sixty (60) days before the General Municipal Election, shall cause the text of the measures to be published once in the official newspaper and in each edition thereof during the day of publication. The City Clerk is authorized to give such notices and to fix such times and dates as are required by law or which are appropriate to conduct the election properly.

SECTION 7. The provisions of Resolution Numbers 10810 (CCS), 10811 (CCS), 10812 (CCS), and 10813 (CCS) are referred to and incorporated as necessary for more particulars concerning the General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014 and the placing on the ballot of these measure and the conduct of the election. In all respects, the election shall be held and conducted as provided for by applicable law, including resolutions. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to procure and furnish

any official ballots, notices, printed materials and all supplies or equipment that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution, and thenceforth the thereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARSHA JONES MOUTRIE

City Attorne

Adopted and approved this 8th day of July, 2014.

Pam O'Connor, Mayor

I, Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 10823 (CCS) was duly adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica City Council held on the 8th day of July, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers:

Davis, McKeown, Vazquez, Winterer, Holbrook

Mayor O'Connor

NOES:

Councilmember:

None

ABSENT:

Councilmember:

Mayor Pro Tem O'Day

ATTEST:

Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk



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July 24, 2014

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Attn: Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street, Room 383 Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

At your meeting of July 1, 2014, you approved this City's request for consolidation of our Municipal Election with the County's Statewide General Election to be held on November 4, 2014.

Enclosed for your consideration are certified copies of three resolutions adding three additional ballot measures to the Santa Monica General Municipal Election. Please note that this office submitted an earlier request on July 17, 2014 to include two ballot measures to the election that we are also waiting for approval on. Resolution Numbers 10826 through 10828 were adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Monica at their regular meeting of July 22, 2014.

Resolution No. 10826 (CCS) is entitled:

A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Santa Monica Placing On The Ballot A Measure Amending The City Charter To Establish A Maximum Annual Registration Fee For Controlled Rental Units And Specifying That Half Of The Fee May Be Passed Through From Landlords To Tenants.

The Ballot language is as follows:

MEASURE " ": Shall the City Charter be amended to establish a maximum annual registration fee of up to \$288 per controlled rental unit and to limit the amount that landlords map pass through to tenants to 50% of the registration fee?

Resolution No. 10827 (CCS) is entitled:

A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Santa Monica Placing On The Ballot A Measure Amending The City Charter To Establish The Process For Planning Reuse Of The Airport Land If The Airport Is Closed, Including Voters' Rights To Set Parameters For A Specific Plan.

The Ballot language is as follows:

MEASURE " ": Shall the City Charter be amended to: (1) prohibit new development on Airport land, except for parks, public open spaces and public recreational facilities, until the voters approve limits on the uses and development that may occur on the land; and (2) affirm the City Council's authority to manage the Airport and to close all or part of it?

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Resolution No. 10828 (CCS) is entitled:

A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Santa Monica Submitting To The Voters An Initiative Measure To Amend The City Charter To Require Voter Approval In Order To Close All Or Part Of The Santa Monica Airport, To Change Use Of The Airport Land, Or To Impose New Restrictions On Aviation Fuel Sales Or On The Use Of Aviation Facilities.

The Ballot language is as follows:

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MEASURE " ": Shall the Santa Monica City Charter be amended to require the City to continue to operate the Santa Monica Airport in a manner that supports its aviation uses unless the voters approve the Airport's closure or change in use, and until that voter approval occurs, the City shall be prohibited from imposing additional restrictions on aviation support services to tenants and airport users that inhibit fuel sales or the full use of aviation facilities?

It is respectfully requested that these measures be considered at your next meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, pursuant to California Election Code Sections 10400, 10401, and 10403 and be added to the City's Municipal Election consolidation.

Sincerely,

Sarah P. Gorman City Clerk, CMC

SPG/md

Enclosures

cc:

Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder, Elections Division



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State of California County of Los Angeles City of Santa Monica

I, Maria Dacanay, Deputy Clerk to the City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of **Resolution Number 10826** (CCS), which is on file in The City Clerk's Department, and that I have carefully compared the same with the original(s).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Santa Monica, this **24**th day of **July, 2014**.

Maria Dacanay

Administrative Analyst, City Clerk's Office City of Santa Monica

RESOLUTION NUMBER 10826 (CCS)

(City Council Series)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA PLACING ON THE BALLOT A MEASURE
AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER TO ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM ANNUAL
REGISTRATION FEE FOR CONTROLLED RENTAL UNITS AND SPECIFYING THAT
HALF OF THE FEE MAY BE PASSED THROUGH FROM LANDLORDS TO TENANTS

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Rent Control Board has recommended that the City Charter be amended to establish a maximum annual registration fee for controlled rental units of \$288 and to establish that fifty-percent of the fee amount may be passed through by landlords to tenants; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered and approved that recommendation because: it will ensure the stability of Rent Control Board operations, that serve both landlords and tenants and which protect affordable housing in Santa Monica; and it will insulate the Rent Control Board from legal challenges that divert its resources from community service to litigation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10403, the City Council has previously requested that the County of Los Angeles consent and agree to the consolidation of all aspects of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide

General Election scheduled for Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for the purpose of electing members of the Santa Monica City Council, the Santa Monica Rent Control Board, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, and the Santa Monica College Community College District.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA DOES RESOLVE AND PROCLAIM AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. At the General Municipal Election called for November 4, 2014, the following measure shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Santa Monica:

PROPOSITION " ": Shall the City Charter be amended to establish a maximum annual registration fee of up to \$288 per controlled rental unit and to limit the amount that landlords may pass through to tenants to 50% of the registration fee.

Yes

No

SECTION 2. That the City Clerk shall file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and with the county election department of the County of Los Angeles.

SECTION 3. That the City of Santa Monica recognizes that additional costs may be incurred by the County by reason of the addition of this measure to the ballot and agrees to reimburse the County for any additional costs.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall transmit to the City Attorney, in accordance with applicable law, a copy of the proposed measure. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of it, which shall not exceed 500 words in length. The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of primary arguments. In accordance with applicable law, not less than 10 calendar days before the City Clerk submits the official election materials for printing, the City Clerk shall make a copy of all applicable elections materials available for public examination in the City Clerk's office.

SECTION 5. The City Council authorizes its members, as follows, to file written arguments for or against the measure described above and which is contained in Exhibit 1 to this Resolution, which Exhibit is incorporated by reference herein:

FOR:	Gleam Davis, Terry O'Day, Tony Vazquez, Ted Winterer
AGAINST:	

All written arguments filed by any person in favor of or against any measure, including any rebuttal arguments, shall be accompanied by the names and signatures of the persons submitting the argument as required by applicable law, and any names, signatures and arguments may be filed until the time and date fixed by the City Clerk in accordance with applicable law, after which no change may be submitted to the City Clerk unless permitted by law.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall cause the text of the measure, which is contained in Exhibit 1, together with the City Attorney impartial analysis, and any arguments for or against the measure, as well as any rebuttal, to be mailed to all qualified voters with the sample ballot. In addition to other notices and publications required by law, the City Clerk, not less than forty (40) days and not more than sixty (60) days before the General Municipal Election, shall cause the text of the measure to be published once in the official newspaper and in each edition thereof during the day of publication. The City Clerk is authorized to give such notices and to fix such times and dates as are required by law or which are appropriate to conduct properly the election.

SECTION 7. The provisions of Resolution Numbers 10680 (CCS), 10681 (CCS), and 10682(CCS) are referred to and incorporated into this resolution for more particulars concerning the conduct of General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014, and in all respects the election shall be held and conducted as provided for by applicable law. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to procure and furnish any official ballots, notices, printed materials and all supplies or equipment that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution, and thenceforth and thereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARSHA JONES MOUTRIE

City-Attorney

Proposed Amendment to City Charter Section 1803(n)

The Board shall finance its reasonable and necessary expenses by charging landlords annual registration fees in amounts deemed reasonable by the Board with a maximum annual registration fee of up to \$288 per controlled unit. Fifty percent (50%) of the amount of the registration fees may be passed through from landlords to tenants, and the Board may establish applicable conditions and procedures governing the pass through. The Board is also empowered to request and receive funding when and if necessary from any available source for its reasonable and necessary expenses.

Adopted and approved this 22nd day of July, 2014.

Pam O'Connor, Mayor

I, Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 10826 (CCS) was duly adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica City Council held on the 22nd day of July, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers:

Davis, McKeown, Vazquez, Holbrook

Mayor Pro Tem O'Day, Mayor O'Connor

NOES:

Councilmember:

None

ABSENT:

Councilmember:

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ATTEST:

Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk



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State of California County of Los Angeles City of Santa Monica

I, Maria Dacanay, Deputy Clerk to the City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of **Resolution Number 10827** (CCS), which is on file in The City Clerk's Department, and that I have carefully compared the same with the original(s).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Santa Monica, this **24**th day of **July, 2014**.

Maria Dacanay

Administrative Analyst, City Clerk's Office City of Santa Monica

RESOLUTION NUMBER 10827 (CCS)

(City Council Series)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA PLACING ON THE BALLOT A MEASURE
AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER TO ESTABLISH THE PROCESS FOR PLANNING
REUSE OF THE AIRPORT LAND IF THE AIRPORT IS CLOSED, INCLUDING
VOTERS' RIGHTS TO SET PARAMETERS FOR USE AND DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to place before the voters a measure that would amend the City Charter by empowering the voters to establish parameters that will guide the future use of the Airport land if the Santa Monica Airport is fully or partially closed to aviation use; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Elections Code Section 10403, the City Council has previously requested that the County of Los Angeles consent and agree to the consolidation of all aspects of a General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election scheduled for Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for the purpose of the election of Members of the Santa Monica City Council, the Santa Monica Rent Control Board, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, and the Santa Monica College Community College District.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That a measure is to appear on the November 4, 2014 ballot as follows:

PROPOSITION " ": Shall the City Charter be amended to: (1) prohibit new development on Airport land, except for parks, public open spaces and public recreational facilities, until the voters approve limits on the uses and development that may occur on the land; and (2) affirm the City Council's authority to manage the Airport and to close all or part of it?

SECTION 2. That the City Clerk is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Supervisors and with the election department of the County of Los Angeles.

SECTION 3. That the City of Santa Monica recognizes that additional costs may be incurred by the County by reason of the addition of this measure to the ballot and agrees to reimburse the County for any additional costs.

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk shall transmit to the City Attorney, in accordance with applicable law, a copy of the proposed measure. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of it, which shall not exceed 500 words in length. The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of primary arguments. In accordance with applicable law, not less than 10 calendar days

before the City Clerk submits the official election materials for printing, the City Clerk shall make a copy of all applicable elections materials available for public examination in the City Clerk's office.

SECTION 5. The City Council authorizes its members, as follows, to file written arguments for or against the measure described above and which is contained in Exhibit 1 to this Resolution, which Exhibit is incorporated by reference herein:

FOR:	<u>Gleam</u>	Davis,	Terry	<u>O'Day,</u>	<u>Tony</u>	<u>Vazquez,</u>	<u>Ted Winterer</u>	
AGAINST:								

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All written arguments filed by any person in favor of or against any measure, including any rebuttal arguments, shall be accompanied by the names and signatures of the persons submitting the arguments as required by applicable law, and any names, signatures and arguments may be filed until the time and date fixed by the City Clerk in accordance with applicable law, after which no change may be submitted to the City Clerk unless permitted by law.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall cause the text of the measure, which is contained in Exhibit 1, together with the City Attorney's impartial analysis, and any arguments for or against the measure, as well as any rebuttal, to be mailed to all qualified voters with the sample ballot. In addition to other notices and publications required by law, the City Clerk shall cause the text of the measure to be published once in the official newspaper and in each edition thereof during the day of publication, which

shall be not less than forty (40) days and not more than sixty (60) days before the General Municipal Election.

SECTION 7. The provisions of Resolution Numbers 10680(CCS), 10681(CCS) and 10682(CCS) are referred to and incorporated into this resolution for more particulars concerning the conduct of the General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014; and in all respects, the election shall be held and conducted as required by applicable law. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to procure and furnish any official ballots, notices, printed materials and all supplies or equipment that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution, and thenceforth and thereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MARSHA JONES MOUTRIE

City Attorney

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Monica owns and operates Santa Monica Airport ("the Airport"), and significant controversy exists about the Airport's future and the future use of the 227 acres that comprise the Airport land;

WHEREAS, the Airport is one of the oldest general aviation airports in the country; dating back to the 1920's, when the City acquired the Airport and Airport land and aviation was in its infancy;

WHEREAS, over the decades since the City acquired the Airport, aviation, the City, and the Airport's surroundings have all changed dramatically;

WHEREAS, when the City acquired the Airport, it was a simple landing strip surrounded by agricultural fields;

WHEREAS, prior to and during World War II, the Airport became home to Douglas Aircraft, and it became the City's major employer and the country's foremost aircraft manufacturer;

WHEREAS, during the war years, the City supported the war effort by leasing the Airport to the federal government; Douglas employees worked 24 hours a day, seven days a week, producing military aircraft; and the property around the airport was developed as housing for Douglas Aircraft's tens of thousands of workers;

WHEREAS, homes in those residential neighborhoods adjacent to the Airport were built close to the Airport's boundaries on three sides, with some only 300 feet from the runway ends;

WHEREAS, the end of the World War II brought significant changes: the lease to the federal government ended, control of the Airport premises was returned to the City, Douglas Aircraft left the City, and jet aircraft traffic came to the Airport;

WHEREAS, with Douglas Aircraft's departure and the advent of noisy jet aircraft, the community's interests and the aviation community's interests diverged; and the relationship between neighbors and the Airport became highly contentious;

WHEREAS, during the ensuing decades, Airport neighbors sued the City claiming that aircraft noise had ruined their quality of life; Airport tenants sued the City claiming that the City's regulatory efforts had damaged their businesses; and the federal government sued the City claiming that City regulations, intended to shield neighbors from adverse Airport impacts, violated federal law;

WHEREAS, the controversies lasted for many years and were, eventually, temporarily resolved through the adoption of 1984 Settlement Agreement between the City and the federal government; it resolved all then-pending legal disputes and obligated the City to continue to operate the Airport until 2015, when the settlement agreement will expire;

WHEREAS, in the last 25 years, as business jet, flight training, and other operations increased, so did Airport neighbors' complaints about air pollution, noise, and safety risks;

WHEREAS, in recent years, with expiration of the 1984 Agreement and other contractual obligations approaching, growing numbers of residents have demanded closure of all or part of the Airport; and their demands increased when a terrible accident at the Airport claimed four lives last year, including the lives of two well-known community members;

WHEREAS, the City has worked in various ways to address residents' concerns about adverse Airport impacts, including through the adoption of policies and regulations and the implementation of various voluntary programs, all intended to curtail noise and air pollution and to enhance safety;

WHEREAS, the federal government and aviation community have strongly opposed the City's regulatory efforts and litigation has ensued, calling into question the City's ability to protect its residents and other Airport neighbors from adverse Airport impacts and to protect itself against liability claims;

WHEREAS, in response to this dilemma, the City has undertaken a lengthy Airport visioning process to identify the concerns of members of the local and aviation communities and to explore all alternatives for the Airport's future, including alternatives other than the extremes of maintaining the status quo, which is unacceptable to community members, and Airport closure, which is unacceptable to the federal government and the aviation community;

WHEREAS, despite the City's substantial efforts to identify a range of alternatives, including any possible compromises, the community remains intensely polarized, with many residents and other Airport neighbors demanding that the Airport be entirely or partially closed and that the land be rededicated to another use which would protect and promote public general health, safety and welfare;

WHEREAS, with the 1984 Agreement about to expire and other federal obligations at or near expiration, the controversy has escalated; and the City Council has indicated that, unless adverse impacts are substantially reduced, the City will have no alternative as Airport proprietor and responsible owner other than closing to aviation use either the entire Airport or a significant portion of the Airport, which was transferred to the City by quitclaim deed after World War II;

WHEREAS, in response to the Council's indication of concern that it may have no choice other than closing all or part of the Airport to protect the health, welfare and safety of residents and to protect the City from liability claims, aviation interests have prepared and circulated an initiative measure that is intended to protect the status quo and their interests;

WHEREAS, that initiative measure includes a preamble consisting of "findings" about the Airport that many community members find incomplete, deceptive or simply untrue

WHEREAS, the substantive provisions of the measure proposed by aviation interests would require voter approval to close the Airport, and also to change aviation uses at the Airport, or even to impose additional restrictions on Airport lessees who provide aviation services; thus the measure would serve the aviation community's interest in preserving the status quo at the Airport but would severely limit the City Council's ability to prudently manage the Airport and Airport land;

WHEREAS, because it would circumscribe the City Council's authority to regulate uses of the Airport property through lease provisions and other means and would deprive the Council of whatever authority it has to close all or part of the Airport, the aviation interests' ballot measure would deprive the City Council of its current ability to protect the health, safety and welfare of residents;

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to take all possible steps to preserve its ability to protect the community;

WHEREAS, whatever the future of the Airport, the City is committed to basing decisions about the future use of the Airport land on complete and reliable information and on an inclusive public planning process that considers and appropriately balances all competing interests;

WHEREAS, such a process would assess the costs and benefits attendant upon various uses of the Airport land, including continuing the Airport use, reducing the amount of land devoted to that use, or making a different use of all or part of the Airport land;

WHEREAS, as part of this process the City would assess the environmental and economic impacts of these options and, based on the results of that assessment will develop a recommended specific plan for the Airport land;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure community support for the plan and also to preserve its own ability to protect residents health, safety and welfare, it is necessary for the Council to propose its own, competing amendment to the City Charter, which, if adopted by more votes, would override and nullify the measure proposed by aviation interests;

WHEREAS, the Council intends that its measure should strike a balance between preserving the Council's authority to protect the community against harmful airport impacts but also assure the community that the Airport will not be overdeveloped in the future;

WHEREAS, to accomplish these goals, the Council wishes to offer the voters a competing measure that would require preparation of a specific plan for future use of the Airport land, if and when the land is no longer devoted to aviation uses, and would specify that the plan must be developed so as to ensure compatibility with surrounding uses and preservation of residents' qualify of life;

WHEREAS, because this initiative measure addresses the same subject matter as the initiative measure that has been circulated by aviation interests, it is the Council's intention that if this ballot measure receives more votes than the their initiative, this measure shall prevail and the other shall be nullified in all respects, even if the aviation community's measure also receives a majority affirmative vote.

NOW, THEREFORE,

Section 1. The following section shall be added to Article VI of the Santa Monica City Charter:

640. Regulation, Management and Closure of Santa Monica Airport and Future Use of Airport Land.

Subject only to limitations imposed by law, the City Council shall have full authority, without voter approval, to regulate use of the Santa Monica Airport, manage Airport leaseholds, condition leases, and permanently close all or part of the Airport to aviation use.

If all or part of the Airport land is permanently closed to aviation use, no new development of that land shall be allowed until the voters have approved limits on the uses and development that may occur on the land. However, this section shall not prohibit the City Council from approving the following on Airport land that has been permanently closed to aviation use: the development of parks, public open spaces, and public recreational facilities; and the maintenance and replacement of existing cultural, arts and education uses.

Section 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this measure is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or otherwise legally invalid by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity and force of the remaining portions of this measure. The City Council hereby declares that it would have placed this City Charter amendment before the voters, and the voters declare that they would have adopted this Charter Amendment and each portion thereof regardless of the fact that any portion may be subsequently declared invalid.

Section 3. This measure is intended to compete with, prevail over, and nullify all provisions of any other charter amendment placed on the same ballot that relates to the subject of the Santa Monica Airport, including the measure by proponents Lauren McCollum, Nikos Kokotakis and Flora Yin, who requested a ballot title and summary on March 26, 2014 for a proposed initiative which they stated would require voter approval before the City could redevelop Airport land.

Adopted and approved this 22nd day of July, 2014.

Fam O'Connor, Mayor

I, Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 10827 (CCS) was duly adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica City Council held on the 22nd day of July, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers:

Davis, McKeown, Vazquez, Holbrook

Mayor Pro Tem O'Day, Mayor O'Connor

NOES:

Councilmember:

None

ABSENT:

Councilmember:

Winterer

ATTEST:

Sarah P. Gorman, City Clerk



(City Clerk) 1685 Main Street, Room 102 PO Box 2200 Santa Monica, California 90407-2200

State of California County of Los Angeles City of Santa Monica

I, Maria Dacanay, Deputy Clerk to the City Clerk of the City of Santa Monica, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution Number 10828 (CCS), which is on file in The City Clerk's Department, and that I have carefully compared the same with the original(s).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Santa Monica, this 23rd day of July, 2014.

Maria Dacanay

Administrative Analyst, City Clerk's Office City of Santa Monica

RESOLUTION NUMBER 10828 (CCS)

(City Council Series)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS AN INITIATIVE MEASURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER TO REQUIRE VOTER APPPROVAL IN ORDER TO CLOSE ALL OR PART OF THE SANTA MONICA AIRPORT, TO CHANGE USE OF THE AIRPORT LAND, OR TO IMPOSE NEW RESTRICTIONS ON AVIATION FUEL SALES OR ON THE USE OF AVIATION FACILITIES

WHEREAS, an initiative measure concerning Santa Monica Airport has been circulated among the registered voters of the City of Santa Monica; and

WHEREAS, the initiative measure would amend the City Charter by adding a new Section 640 to the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the initiative measure would, among other things, require voter approval to close all or part of the Santa Monica Airport, to change use of the Airport land, or to impose new restrictions on aircraft fuel sales or the use of aviation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the initiative measure has been certified as being signed by a sufficient number of registered voters so that the initiative measure qualifies to be placed on the ballot at the General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014, in accordance with Elections Code section 9255(c)(1).

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. A General Municipal Election has been called for on November 4, 2014 for the purpose, among other things, of electing City Council members and submitting measures and ballot propositions to the voters.

SECTION 2. At the General Municipal Election called for November 4, 2014, the following initiative measure to amend the City of Santa Monica City Charter shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Santa Monica:

PROPOSITION " ": Shall the Santa Monica City Charter be amended to require the City to continue to operate the Santa Monica Airport in a manner that supports its aviation uses unless	Yes
the voters approve the Airport's closure or change in use, and until that voter approval occurs, the City shall be prohibited from imposing additional restrictions on aviation support services to tenants and airport users that inhibit fuel sales or the full use of aviation facilities?	No

SECTION 3. That the City of Santa Monica recognizes that additional costs may be incurred by the County by reason of the addition of this measure to the ballot and agrees to reimburse the County for any additional costs.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall transmit to the City Attorney, in accordance with Elections Code Section 9280, a copy of this initiative measure. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the initiative measure, which analysis shall not exceed 500 words in length. The impartial analysis shall be filed by the date set by the City Clerk for the filing of primary arguments. In accordance with Santa Monica Municipal Code section 11.04.190 and California Elections Code Section 9295, not less than 10 calendar days before the City Clerk submits the official election materials for printing, the City Clerk shall make a copy of all applicable elections' materials available for public examination in the City Clerk's Office.

SECTION 5. The City Council authorizes its members, as follows, to file written arguments for and against the measures:

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All written arguments filed by any person in favor of or against any measure, including any rebuttal arguments, shall be accompanied by the names and signatures of the persons submitting the arguments as required by applicable law, and any names, signatures and arguments may be filed until the time and date fixed by the City Clerk in accordance with applicable law, after which no change may be submitted to the City Clerk unless permitted by law.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall cause the text of the initiative measure, together with the City Attorney's impartial analysis, and any arguments for or against the measure, as well as any rebuttal, to be mailed to all qualified voters with the sample ballot. In addition to other notices and publications required by law, the City Clerk, not less than forty (40) days and not more than sixty (60) days before the General Municipal Election, shall cause the text of the initiative measure to be published once in the official newspaper and in each edition thereof during the day of publication. The City Clerk is authorized to give such notices and to fix such times and dates as are required by law or which are appropriate to conduct the election properly.

SECTION 7. The provisions of Resolution Numbers 10810 (CCS), 10811 (CCS), 10812 (CCS), and 10813 (CCS) are referred to and incorporated into this Resolution. Those Resolutions provide necessary particulars concerning the General Municipal Election to be held on November 4, 2014 and among other things, deal with the placing on the ballot of this and other measures as well as the conduct, consolidation and coordination of the General Municipal Election with the General Statewide Election, which will also be conducted on November 4, 2014. In all respects, the election shall be held and conducted as provided for by applicable law, including but not limited to the

above referenced Resolutions. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to procure and furnish any official ballots, notices, printed materials and all supplies or equipment that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution, and thenceforth and thereafter the same shall be in full force and effect.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

EXHIBIT 1

VOTER APPROVAL REQUIRED BEFORE CITY CAN REDEVELOP AIRPORT LAND

Section 1. Preamble

WHEREAS, Santa Monica Airport land is a low-density land use that benefits the entire City of Santa Monica; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Monica has engaged in costly and unsuccessful litigation and has sought to close the airport to redevelop the land for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, City staff reports indicate that redevelopment of the airport land will likely result in high-density development causing increased traffic congestion, noise and pollution; and

WHEREAS, recent approval by the City of large, high-density developments has shown a disregard for the concerns expressed by nearby residents and ignored the will of the people of Santa Monica to prevent excessive development; and

WHEREAS, the City has made threats to close local businesses based at the airport and nearby business park that provide jobs for people, facilities for local businesses and tax revenue for the community; and

WHEREAS, the City has taken actions to harm local aviation related businesses as part of an effort to destabilize the airport; and

WHEREAS, the City has taken actions to reduce the services and facilities available to the airport and its users in an apparent attempt to achieve closure or partial closure of the airport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Monica has exposed taxpayers to costly litigation with the federal government and to potential payment of legal damages to airport businesses harmed by their actions; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Airport has already instituted rules that restrict noise, operating hours and type of aircraft using the airport in order to be a better neighbor; and

WHEREAS, the City has failed to consider the wishes of the entire community by collaborating with a small group of special interests who seek airport closure;

NOW THEREFORE, the voters of the City of Santa Monica shall have a right to express their views before the City of Santa Monica takes any action to redevelop Airport land.

Section 2. The following shall be added to Article VI of the Santa Monica City Charter:

640. People's Right to Vote.

- (a) Voter approval shall be required before any City decision becomes effective that changes the use of land currently used for the Santa Monica Municipal Airport and related aviation services to non-aviation purposes, or that closes or partially closes Santa Monica Municipal Airport. The term "voter approval" means a majority of the voters of the City voting "yes" on a ballot measure approving such a change at a general municipal election.
- (b) Unless the voters have approved the closure of the airport pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, and such decision has become effective, the City shall continue to operate the Santa Monica Municipal Airport in a manner that supports its aviation purposes, and shall not impose additional restrictions on providers of aviation support services to tenants and airport users that inhibit the sale of fuel or the full use of aviation facilities.
- Section 3. Any City decision that would require voter approval under this Charter Amendment and that is made on or after the date of the filing with the City Clerk of the Notice of Intent to Circulate this Charter Amendment shall have no effect until such decision receives voter approval pursuant to Section 2 of this Charter Amendment.
- Section 4. Any person with a beneficial interest in the operation of Santa Monica Municipal Airport shall have standing to enforce any provision of this Charter Amendment in a court of competent jurisdiction. In addition to any other persons, the proponents of this Charter Amendment shall have standing in California and Federal Courts to defend this measure from all challenges to its validity or enforceability.
- Section 5. If any portion of this Charter Amendment is declared invalid by a court of law or other legal body with applicable authority, the invalidity shall not affect or prohibit the force and effect of any other provision or application of the Charter Amendment that is not deemed invalid. The voters of the City hereby declare that they would have circulated for qualification and/or adopted this Charter Amendment and each portion thereof regardless of the fact that any portion of the Charter Amendment may be subsequently deemed invalid.
- Section 6. If another Charter Amendment is placed on the same ballot as this Charter Amendment and is related to the same subject matter, and if both Charter Amendments pass, the voters intend that both Charter Amendments shall be put into effect, except to the extent that specific provisions of the Charter Amendments are in conflict. In the event of a conflict, the Charter Amendment which obtained more votes will control as to the conflicting provisions only. The voters expressly declare this to be their intent, regardless of any contrary language in any other Charter Amendment.

Adopted and approved this 22nd day of July, 2014.

Pam O'Connor, Mayor

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